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"Sustainability is something that we need to work around on day to day basis without which it won't be possible to attain. So, everything that we do, right from planning to executing, we need to keep in mind that how nature can be incorporated in the building," says **Ar. Qutub Mandviwala, Principal Architect, MQA**. He further adds that while planning, the need is to bring in good engineering & design practices keeping in view the direction of the houses, wind



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direction and maximum sunlight to enable the project to start saving energy right from the planning stage of the building.

To further elaborate the concept, he refers to one of his projects, Wockhardt Global School in Aurangabad (Maharashtra), which is designed on a land parcel of 30 acres. According to him, this school gives a holistic approach towards learning with each learning area being surrounded by nature. "The landscaping of the site creates a cool and pleasing micro climate which is a pleasant contrast to the hot and

dry climate of Aurangabad. The vision of the school is to create a nurturing environment for the migratory birds which are attracted by this region. This would enrich the regional biodiversity but also foster a child's curiosity and respect for the natural world. From an interactive e-library to state of the art sports areas; this project has been designed not only for education but for the overall development of the growing mind," asserts Mandviwala.

The Wockhardt Global School was highly commended by the World Architecture Fest in 2017 in the Schools Category. It also earned the International Architecture Award by the Chicago Athenaeum - The European Centre in 2018. Public/Institutional Project winner (Architecture) Award by Architects and Interiors of India in 2019 and it is the only Indian Schools to be listed under the 16 most beautiful Schools in the world by WAF and Business Insider.

Talking about sustainability, **Amit Porwal, Principal Designer, IPIPL (Icon Projects Inspace Pvt. Ltd.)** opines that it's all about luxury in the suit. "It's about how we see the perspective of human life and nature corresponding and being responsible for each other rather than the materials we use in the architecture or interior design. Apparently, it all comes from the gene and it should be very pure and honest."



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